

Israel jails Arab for 7 years

TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (R). — The Israeli military court in Ashdod today sentenced Abdul Nasser Tawfiq Al Khafi, 57, to seven years in prison. He was found guilty of belonging to the "Rejection Front" Arab guerrilla organization. Al Khafi, who comes from Jenin, in the occupied West Bank, was arrested about a year ago, after joining a guerrilla cell, the prosecutor told the court. The accused had recruited others into the organization and engaged in illegal weapons training. His brother, Azizah, 22, was sentenced to 18 months in prison and another sister, Souham, 20, given a one year sentence for belonging to the same cell. Another member of the group, Samar Arshid, was sentenced to three years in prison.

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Somali guerrillas press on

NAIROBI, Aug. 6 (R). — Somali-backed guerrillas said today they killed or captured 750 Ethiopians in a battle on the edge of Harar town on Thursday and captured a town in Bale province of southern Ethiopia on the same day. A communique from the Western Somalia Liberation Front (WSLF) broadcast by Radio Mogadishu said 80 Ethiopian troops were killed and 50 captured when guerrillas "liberated" Harardibe town in Bale province, west of the Ogaden desert along the Somali border which the front now claims to control. On the same day guerrillas attacked Ethiopian forces on the outskirts of Harar, the ancient walled town which is the main settlement in the Ahmar mountains overlooking the Ogaden.

Final breakup of Cyprus threatened by Turkish group

Nicosia, Aug. 6 (R). — Turkish Cypriots will not recognize Archbishop Makarios' successor as head of the whole of Cyprus, according to Foreign Minister Isnan Sabri Caglayan, quoted by the state-run radio. The leader chosen by the Greek Cypriot community and government he forms cannot be presented as the government of all Cyprus, the minister said. Mr. Caglayan said he was on his arrival from Athens at Istanbul airport yesterday.

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ALL SMILES -- His Majesty King Hussein seen smiling with U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance at Al Hashimiyeh Palace here Friday. (AP wirephoto).

Iranian premier's resignation preludes closer ties with U.S.

TEHRAN, Aug. 6 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveyda today tendered his resignation and that of his cabinet to the Shah of Iran, an official statement said.

Mr. Hoveyda, who has been Prime Minister since 1965, announced his resignation after an extraordinary cabinet meeting today.

His resignation letter, broadcast by the official radio, said the Shah had asked him to resign so that he could be given another job.

Mr. Hoveyda's successor was not announced.

Mr. Hoveyda, who was 58 last February, did not say what job the monarch had in mind for him.

News of Mr. Hoveyda's resignation caused a sensation here, although rumours that he would be replaced shortly had been circulating among politicians in the Iranian capital.

Finance and Economic Affairs Minister Hushang Ansary is most frequently named as a likely successor to Mr. Hoveyda.

Mr. Hoveyda is at present on holiday in Corsica. It was believed here that the announcement of his departure from the government, reported to have been decided upon 10 days ago, may have been delayed because of his absence from Tehran.

Mr. Hoveyda announced he had sent his resignation to the Shah "because he desires it". Some political sources saw his departure as marking an increase in American influence in Iran and a decline in the influence of western Europe.

Mr. Hoveyda was educated at the French Lycee (high school) in Beirut and later studied at the Sorbonne in Paris and in Belgium. Mr. Ansary is American-educated.

"I will be the last Francophile Prime Minister of Iran", Mr. Hoveyda declared one day.

Other sources cited Mr. Hoveyda's age and said the Shah was seeking to rejuvenate the government. Mr. Hoveyda is 58. Mr. Ansary is nine years younger.

Other contenders for Mr. Hoveyda's post are Nosratollah

Monir, Chief of the Special Imperial Bureau, and Dr. Abdol Majid Majidi, who was Minister of State and head of the budget and planning organisation in the previous cabinet.

Other sources believed the Shah may have acted to replace Mr. Hoveyda in order to appease the recent perceptible growth of popular discontent over economic conditions that include a high rate of inflation, high rents and shortages of electric power.

In the past few weeks the power situation in Iran has become critical, mainly because of delays affecting work in a hydroelectric dam in the south of the country.

In most cities and towns five-hour power cuts have been imposed every day, seriously upsetting almost all sectors of public activity.

Mr. Hoveyda's trademarks are the pipe he usually carries in one hand and the walking stick he carries in the other. He always wears an orchid in his boutonhole.

His personality consisted of a subtle mixture of Persian tradition, Iranian touchiness and Western culture. His tongue could be sharp.

Noting that former Soviet Communist Party chief Nikita Khrushchev liked to describe Iran as "a ripe fruit ready for the plucking", Mr. Hoveyda riposted that "I suppose he knew on which side the fruit would fall".

When a communist newsman waxed indignant over the way he kissed the Shah's hand, Mr. Hoveyda countered "and you kiss (Soviet Communist Party chief Leonid) Brezhnev's boots".

If Mr. Ansary is indeed chosen to replace Mr. Hoveyda, it would probably signal the Shah's wish to promote a climate of greater confidence between Tehran and Washington than exists at present. The Shah is due to make an official visit to the U.S. in mid-November.



Amir Abbas Hoveyda

Lebanese relations. A statement said joint committees "began implementing the second part of the second stage relating to the collection of surplus weapons at Palestinian refugee camps throughout Lebanon."

The arms collection was being carried out in cooperation with representatives of all groups of the PLO and going ahead smoothly "without any major obstacles", the statement added.

Palestinian commandos yesterday evacuated a sports complex near refugee camps on the road to Beirut international airport under the first part of the second stage of the agreement.

The first stage was implemented last Saturday when the mainly Syrian peace-keeping force took up new positions around the camps.

Reports reaching here from the south said Lebanese rightist and leftist-Palestinian gunners in the eastern sector shelled each other today on a scale unprecedented for some time.

Palestinian sources said at least seven people were wounded.

In a similar exchange last night between rightist positions in Kleya and Marjeyoun and their adversaries in Khyam and Ibl Al-Saqi, four people were killed, local residents said.

According to Palestinian sources, Israeli troops took part in shelling Khyam after firing flares over the region.

Some shells also fell on two leftist positions in the central sector which has been quiet for a week.

Meanwhile it was reported from Abu Dhabi that an envoy of Sheikh Zaid Bin Sultan Al Nahayan, President of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Jordan agrees Vance suggests intensified bilateral talks at U.N.

By Rami G. Khouri Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN (J.T.) — United States Secretary of State Cyrus Vance clearly indicated in a press conference here Saturday evening that while there had been some narrowing of differences between Israel and the Arab states on the substance of peace talks in Geneva, the United States would have to follow up Mr. Vance's current trip with intensified bilateral talks in New York this fall.

He repeatedly told the 25-minute press conference at the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel that there are still major differences between the Arab and Israeli positions, and it was clear from his remarks that the United States now aims to maintain its apparently inconclusive peace-making and mediating role in the Middle East by continuing bilateral contacts with the Arabs and the Israelis during the United Nations General Assembly sessions in New York starting next month.

Mr. Vance strongly played down the sense of urgency caused by the assumption that the Geneva talks would either reconvene in October or not at all.

He said the October date had never been formally accepted by all parties, but that it was simply a suggestion by two national leaders (President Sadat of Egypt and Premier Begin of Israel).

Mr. Vance said that he thought a Geneva conference was possible for "some time" this fall, and when pressed on what he meant by the fall, he said anytime before the end of this year.

He also played down the suggestion of Arab-Israeli foreign ministerial working parties meeting in New York this fall, by saying that the United States now did not see "anything as formal as working groups" in the fall.

He said the idea of the ministerial working groups which he suggested jointly with President Sadat last weekend, is something that "the Arabs are going to have to take up among themselves."

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Arms collected at Palestinian camps in Lebanon, but shelling continues in southern area

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A two-pronged choice

The idea of shifting the focus of Middle East peace efforts, at least temporarily, from Geneva to New York during the opening session of the United Nations General Assembly could prove fruitful and is bound to require a more demanding role of the United States than that of a mediator.

It is not clear whether this is to be at the ministerial level, whether the U.N. delegates of the nations concerned are to be pressed into service in the intensive round of bilateral negotiations that is envisaged or whether the whole question is actually to be put before the United Nations at some point. Indications are that the Palestinian question will occupy centre stage in any eventuality.

The United States has reached the point where it is toying with the idea of dealing directly with the PLO if the latter accepts resolution 242; this is one notch lower than an outright demand for PLO recognition of Israel. Substantially it amounts to the same thing but should prove less traumatic. The venue of the proposed discussions suggests that a slightly modified resolution might make this difficult task more palatable.

The alternative is to bypass the PLO as an organisation at least temporarily, and to secure either a U.S. commitment or a U.N. resolution on quasi-total Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and a firm guarantee that the Palestinians will be allowed to exercise the right of self-determination. In either case, the Palestinian problem will remain central to the question of peace.

This will present Israel with a two-pronged choice. It will be a hard decision, yet one that it cannot put off. None of this will produce the desired results unless the United States takes the lead in convincing Israel to be much more flexible than it is or pushes through the desired resolution at the U.N.

We suggest to Mr. Vance that the United States would be performing an invaluable service to itself, to the Arabs and to Israel by extending more than just its good offices to the states of the region. A more daring approach by the United States is required if America's vaunted dedication to peace in the Middle East is not to evaporate. The time is fast approaching when President Carter will have to show us all that he has the courage of his convictions.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I Saturday, welcomed U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to Amman and hoped this particular visit of his will exhibit characters of seriousness and moral commitment unlike previous experiences in the history of this "bloody conflict". For ten years Israel has been consolidating its occupation of Arab territories undoubtedly through the continuous backing of American money, weapons and political aid. If the U.S. as a super-power, shoulders moral responsibilities towards world peace and towards the well-being of its peoples it should, in the Middle East particularly, accept its moral responsibility to redeem the series of "deadly mistakes" it committed against the Arabs and, especially, the Palestinians. The world does not do business with political parties but with states, which are members of the United Nations because they have agreed to abide by that organisation's Charter. Therefore, the U.S. administration should curb the intransigence of the present ruling party of Israel before this team of "former terrorists" lead us all into dangers greater than those enacted by Hitler.

AL AKHBAR said that despite the conflicting reactions which Mr. Vance's Middle Eastern tour has received he remains more than just a mediator. Similarly, despite Mr. Vance's assurances in his arrival statement at Amman Airport on Friday, and despite the deliberately generalised pronouncements by the Americans, the present U.S. role in the drive for peace in the area cannot be less important than the previous roles which the "Silent Jarring" and the "Clown Kissinger" undertook on behalf of the United States. The paper, therefore, said that expressions of vague hopes do not create peace and this show of enthusiastic drive for peace by the Carter administration is not different from the drive with which former President Nixon began his administration's policy towards the Middle East -- except that Mr. Nixon, at the time, could already rely on a fund of trust from the Arabs since he was vice president when the U.S. "ordered" Israel to withdraw from Sinai in 1956. For these reasons, the paper concluded, Mr. Vance is expected to defuse and to accomplish, not only to express hopes.

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American congressman arrives here

AMMAN (JNA). — U.S. Representative Edward Derwinski of Illinois arrived here Saturday for talks with His Majesty King Hussein and Crown Prince Hassan. He will also meet Speaker of the Upper House Bahjat Talhoum and visit a Palestinian refugee camp during his three days in Jordan. He was received at the airport by Senator Ahmad Toukan, the Parliament's Secretary General, Mr. Khalil Asfour, and the American charge d'affaires in Amman.

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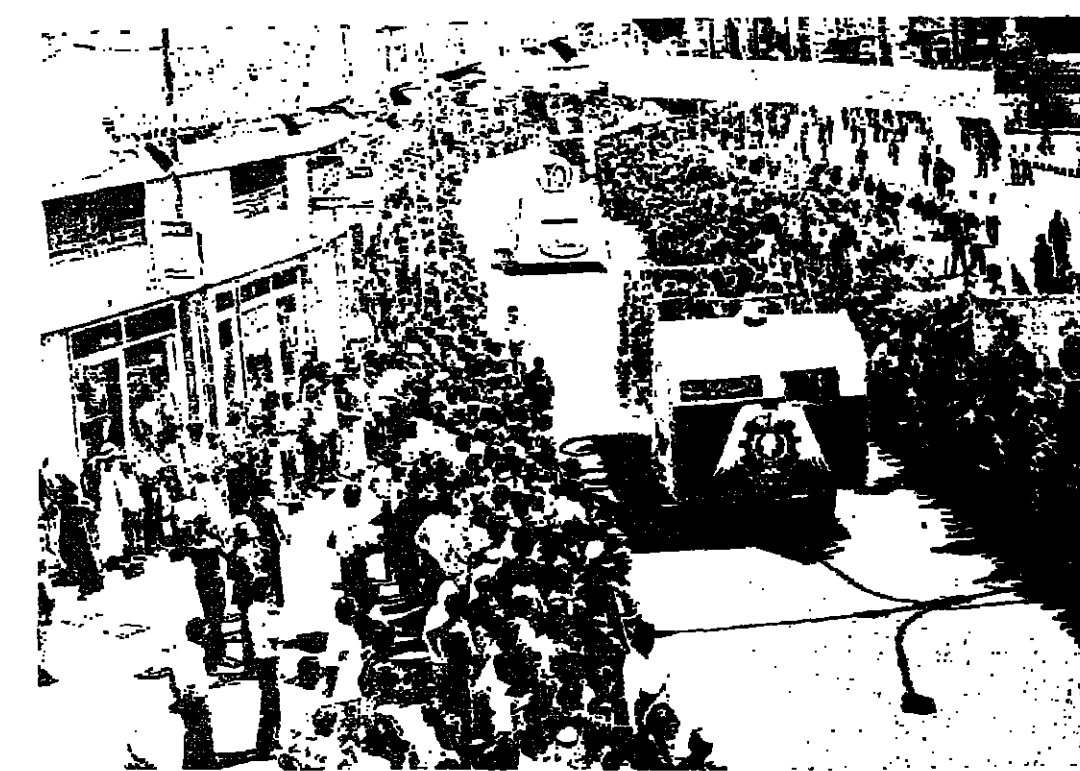
AMMAN (JNA). — The Martyrs' Monument will open to the public daily as of Thursday, Aug. 11 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. except Tuesday, an official communique released to the press stated Saturday.

3 young Jordanians killed by Greek train

ATHENS, Aug. 6 (AFP). — Three young Jordanian brothers were killed and four other members of the family severely injured when their car collided with a train at a railway crossing last night in Greece. The accident occurred at Komotini, in Thrace. The three boys, aged 18, 14 and seven, were killed after their father drove across the railway lines as the Alexandropolis-Drama train was approaching. Investigators said railway crossing lights were functioning normally at the time of the accident.

Jordan's team will be headed by Minister of Public Works Said Bino. The Syrian team will be led by Minister of Communications Omar Sba'i and the Iraqi team by the under-secretary at the Ministry of Public Works and Housing.

The Iraqi and Syrian teams arrive here Sunday.



Gaily coloured floats pass through the centre of Amman Saturday during the capital's celebrations for His Majesty King Hussein's silver jubilee. (J.T. photo).

Excess weight transported by lorries to come under spotlight

AMMAN (JNA). — Jordan, Syria and Iraq will start talks here Monday on the problem of excess weight carried by lorries and the effect it has on roads.

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Silver jubilee joy brightens up Amman

AMMAN (JNA). — Amman Saturday witnessed its first festivities to celebrate His Majesty King Hussein's silver jubilee.

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Education talks start on accord with Syria

DAMASCUS, Aug. 6 (JNA). — Jordan and Syria started a first round of educational talks here today to implement a cultural agreement for 1977/78 dealing with the unification of programmes in universities and intermediate schools.

The head of the Jordanian delegation, Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Salam Majali, reviewed progress achieved by the Jordanian and Syrian ministries of education towards unifying curricula and textbooks and outlining a common educational strategy for the two countries.

He touched on the new Jordanian educational experiment to be applied in the 1977/78 scholastic year, outlined its merits and emphasised the need for educational seminars to look into the educational process.

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In a press statement here, Dr. Majali said that the question of unifying textbooks will be discussed, in addition to the use of technology in education.

Bahraini coop team meets social head

AMMAN (JNA). — The Director General of the Department of Social Affairs, Mr. Khaled Al Radaydeh, Saturday received a visiting delegation representing Bahraini agricultural cooperatives.

He discussed with its members cooperation between societies in the two countries. The Bahraini delegation's visit is part of a programme agreed upon by the ministries of labour and social affairs in Jordan and Bahrain to exchange visits and expertise.

The delegation will look into the activities and projects of local agricultural cooperatives.

Federal German Foreign Ministry official states

Jordan must promote exports to W. Germany to slash trade deficit

By Rami G. Khouri
Special to the Jordan Times

West German Foreign Minister Under-Secretary Dr. Peter Hermes has wound up two days of official talks here with the assessment that "Jordan's performance in development is very good," but that promotional activity is required to redress the steep trade imbalance with West Germany.

Dr. Hermes told the Jordan Times in an interview here Friday evening that private sector "trade people" in both countries must get together to discuss possibilities of Jordanian exports to West Germany, as well as joint venture manufacturing and industrial projects in Jordan.

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"state" was deliberately used to allow the Palestinians and the Arabs to determine exactly what form a Palestinian homeland would take.

Asked if West Germany thought that a PLO presence at the Geneva talks was vital, he replied that this was up to the Palestinians and the Arabs to decide, and not for other nations.

He also said that there is "close consultation and a flow of precise information both ways" between the United States and the EEC states on Middle Eastern affairs, but that "the United States has the key role to play in the peace-making process and the EEC cannot replace the U.S. in any reasonable political sense."

Opposed to boycott

Dr. Hermes, who is an expert on trade matters, said that West Germany was opposed in principle to the Arab boycott of Israel, but that Bonn did not plan to introduce any federal legislation to prevent West German companies from complying with the terms of the boycott.

He said that the matter of legislation has been looked into very carefully, but that it has been found to be far too complex, and anti-boycott legislation would not and could not bring the results in practical terms that it would be intended for.

Asked about the practicality of the north-south dialogue

and other international forums that are discussing the developing states call for a "new international economic order." Dr. Hermes said that such discussions are "an absolute political, economic and cultural necessity," but that he "does not like it if the prevailing element for the promoters of the dialogue is a dirigiste and illiberal basis of world trade."

Dr. Hermes leaves after 3-day visit

AMMAN (JNA). — The Under-Secretary at the West German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Peter Hermes, left here Saturday morning at the end of a short visit during which he met with His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim.

Dr. Hermes also held economic talks with a Jordanian delegation led by Minister of Industry and Commerce Dr. Najmeddine Dalaj.

He was seen off at the airport by Foreign Ministry Secretary General Kamal Humud, officials of the Foreign Ministry and the West German ambassador to Jordan.

He strongly criticised what he called "state-planned economies" as being the least successful in world trade, and suggested that such economies should place more trust in the system of liberal trade and the free market's forces.

Poisonous elements

Dr. Hermes -- a fervent free-trade advocate -- suggested that "poisonous" elements such as trade quotas and high tariff barriers only maintain ineffective industries and end up hurting the consumer who has to pay higher prices.



Members of two opposing polo teams smile and grimace after their invigorating contest at the Royal Polo Club Saturday. In the centre, putting on dignified airs, are the contest's patron, Prince Hassan, and sponsor, Mahmoud Al Kayed, Editor-in-Chief of Al Ra'i newspaper. (J.T. photo).

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Zimbabwe keeps tabs on drained 'brains'

As yet another Anglo-American peace plan for Rhodesia is put out, a big survey is under way to assess exactly how many of the pool of Zimbabweans living outside their country are being trained in skills and professions. At least 6,000 are known to be scattered in dozens of countries -- a rich pool of talent from which a Zimbabwean government will be able to draw.

By Gamini Seneviratne

LONDON (Gemini) — Black and white Zimbabwe, whenever it replaces white-ruled Rhodesia, will have a cadre of qualified and experienced personnel on which an independent cabinet could be based. A substantial number will be abroad when independence comes. This brain drain will be attracted back. At least 6,000 Zimbabweans are being trained or, having completed their courses, are waiting outside the country. This is the estimate of the Special Commonwealth Programme for Rhodesians in London.

The SCPR itself has assisted over 2,800 Zimbabweans to study in Commonwealth countries since it was set up by the 1966 meeting of heads of government. Of these, some 800 are known to have qualified and are now practising their skills and professions.

The balance, 3,000 odd, are dispersed outside the Commonwealth and either training with help from other sources or already at work. Well over 1,000 are reckoned to be in the U.S. and several hundred in the USSR.

The Special Commonwealth Programme for Rhodesians believes there are "at least a handful" in 31 non-Commonwealth countries. It does not, however, have details of numbers, courses, progress and employment. This information gap is now being bridged.

Following discussions with nationalist delegations at the time of the Geneva Conference in 1976, the SCPR accepted the task of mounting a manpower survey of Rhodesian exiles studying or working in the various countries. The survey is not concerned with the thousands (perhaps 50,000) of refugees, clearly classifiable as "non-military" who are in

camp close to Rhodesia. It is equally unconcerned with the fewer, though substantial numbers, under military training -- whether in African countries or outside the continent. On the other hand it is anxious to arrive at a more detailed statistical analysis than an overall survey of skills.

"For example, it would be relatively easy to find out how many doctors have been trained abroad," says Terence Dormer of the special programme. "But that would be of little use without knowing who and where they are, what they are doing, whether they would be ready to return home and, if so, under what conditions."

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Mexico City leaps into 2nd place among super cities

In 1950 the world had 75 cities with a million or more inhabitants, two-thirds of them in the more developed regions. By 1970 the number had risen to 162. The United Nations estimates that by 1985 there will be 273 such cities and the majority will be in less-developed areas. Mexico City is growing so fast -- it has already overtaken New York -- experts predict it will have twenty million people by the year 2,000.

By Hodgson Budd

MEXICO CITY, (Gemini) — Officials in Mexico City estimate there are now 12,000,000 people living in the city and its suburbs -- which must make it the second largest city in the world after Tokyo (13.4 million).

It passed greater New York (pop. 11.5 million), the world's previous biggest city, sometime in the past five years. By the year 2,000, experts

predict, Mexico City will have twenty million inhabitants and will almost certainly be right at the top of the "largest cities in the world" league. And that prediction is providing the city's new mayor, Carlos Hank-Gonzalez, with formidable problems.

"My job," he says, "is to make certain that the prediction is wrong." Because, he warns, if growth continues at the present rate the city will strangle itself.

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an Iberian city that became the capital of New Spain. The lake was filled in, a project which proved to be both a blessing and a curse. Over the centuries many buildings have sunk several feet into the muddy subsoil, tilting, occasionally at odd angles. The mud, however, has saved Mexico City from the devastating effects of earthquakes that have hit so much of Latin America.

During the 300 years the Spaniards ruled here, they built what the eighteenth century German traveller Alexander von Humboldt described as a "city of palaces." He also praised its "clear transparent air."

A city of palaces it remains today, but the clean, transparent air is just a memory. Hank-Gonzalez is less concerned about improving matters than in making certain they get no worse. "We have to be realistic," he says.

A presidential appointee (Mexico City is officially designated a federal district and ruled directly by the national government), Hank-Gonzalez is a former secondary school teacher who has served as mayor of a provincial capital and as a state governor. His solution to Mexico City's problems is to promote the growth of other cities.

Gustadajara and Monterrey both have populations exceeding one million, but they are still considered country towns. Hank-Gonzalez would like them, and others, to become bigger.

"All the magnets that draw people away from their homes are here, and that isn't good," he says. "People come to Mexico City for three reasons: For jobs, for security and for education. We need to make these attractions available elsewhere as well."

The mayor favours the establishment of regional universities and schools that are as good as those in Mexico City. New factories have virtually been banned from Mexico City, a step that is forcing industry into the provinces.

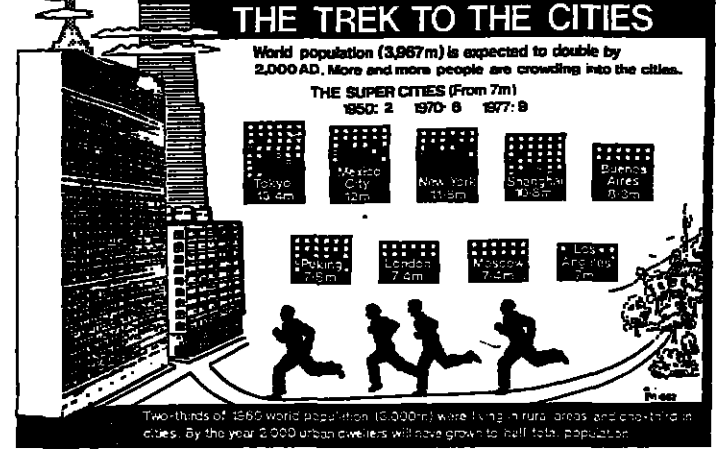
Hank-Gonzalez at times talks like a radical. Traditionally, a mayor seeks to make his city the finest place he can, the biggest and the best. Yet Hank-Gonzalez is inviting the country's other municipalities

to share the spotlight.

He is optimistic about the possibilities. "It is happening in Europe," he points out. "The big cities have stopped growing. Thanks to films and television, small towns are no longer cultural Siberias. And this is the jet age. By air Mexico City is not far away from any place in the country."

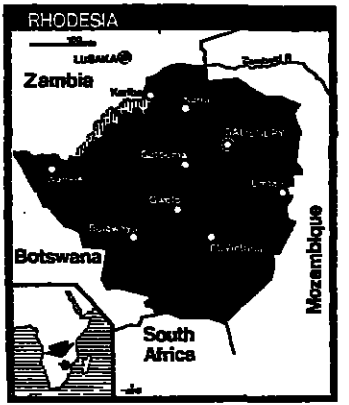
As for Mexico City itself, he says, like other big cities it

needs to be "humanised". "We are promoting the formations of neighbourhood associations. Every neighbourhood is really a small town and we want to encourage that feeling. As long as families living near each other know each other, as long as neighbours are friends, we should be able to keep our good humour. We can smile. That's what we need to do if we are going to survive."



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Carter's energy bill triumphs in Congress

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (R). — The House of Representatives Friday approved the energy saving programme aimed at curbing U.S. oil imports.

Mr. James Schlesinger was meanwhile sworn in today as Secretary of the newly-created Energy Department.

At the White House ceremony, President Carter called for support for the Department, which he said was one of the most important undertakings of his administration.

Mr. Schlesinger, a former Defence Secretary and one-time head of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), said the department provided the President with "a coordinated instrument for implementing policies."

Producer groups unite

GEORGETOWN, Guyana, Aug. 6 (R). — Officials of eight world producers' associations in developing countries have reached agreement on the principles governing a secretariat for a proposed Council of Producer Organizations, conference sources said yesterday.

The council, an umbrella organisation linking most of the world's producer organisations, including the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), is due to be formally established at a ministerial meeting later this year.

The sources said a date had not yet been fixed for the ministerial meeting but some delegates believe it should be held before the opening of negotiations on a common fund for buffer stocks due to start in Geneva in November.

Jobless rate falls in U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (R). — The U.S. Labour Department said the number of people out of work in July fell by 218,000 to 6.7 million.

Adult male unemployment in July was 5.1%, the same as in June. But among blacks and teenagers the rates were more than twice as high -- 13.2% and 17.4%. The rate for blacks was unchanged from June, while the teenage rate dropped from 18.6%.

Unemployment among women fell in July to 6.9% from 7.2%.

Senate pressures W. Bank to institute salary cuts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (R). — The Senate yesterday approved a plan to block U.S. contributions to the World Bank and other leading agencies until the salaries of their American executive directors are slashed to bring them into line with U.S. government pay scales.

The action, taken without debate, came as the Senate began work on a \$7 billion foreign aid bill.

Amendments making U.S. support for the World Bank, the affiliate International Development Association, and the Asian and Inter-American Development Banks conditional on the pay cuts were added to the bill by the Senate appropriations committee.

Carter asks to revamp welfare system

PLAINS, Georgia, Aug. 6 (R). — President Carter has asked Congress to scrap the nation's welfare system and approve a new scheme that would compel many Americans to take jobs in order to qualify for any supplementary welfare relief.

In a prepared statement, the president told a press conference: "The welfare system is anti-work and anti-family, unfair to poor and wastes dollars."

His programme, which Congress will begin to consider after its August recess, would have funds to provide jobs to those who are able to work in order to receive income supplements.

The proposed abolition of several public assistance programmes which duplicate each other. These would be replaced by a single programme emphasising that those who were capable of working should take jobs.

Exclusively rich nations meet to raise 'Witteveen facility'

PARIS, Aug. 6 (R). — An exclusive club of 14 countries with money to spare meets here today to raise billions of dollars in extra resources for the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to lend to countries in financial trouble.

The weekend of ministers from wealthy industrial and major OPEC countries is at the invitation of IMF Managing Director Johannes Witteveen. He has insisted that only governments able to put hard

cash on the table immediately should attend.

The IMF wants the new "Witteveen facility" to be functioning in August or at the latest in time for the fund's annual meeting in Washington in the last week of September.

To avoid time-wasting playing to the gallery by the finance ministers observers from other governments, the ones which might want to borrow from the facility, are being excluded.

Peking aims for profit

PEKING, Aug. 5 (R). — China's Communist Party has said its socialist enterprises must show a profit and turn out quality products on schedule.

An editorial in the official newspaper, the People's Daily criticised poor management and unprofitable concerns, saying a deadline should be set and adhered to for turning losses into profits.

The editorial covered the whole range of industrial production, and also communications and transport, calling on the people to "grasp well" the need for improved performance in these areas.

It specified coal, electricity, communications and transport as being the key to quicker overall industrial progress in the next half-year.

China's coal and energy production were hard hit by the devastating Tangshan earthquake, while the political confusion culminating in the overthrow last October of the radical "gang of four" damaged communications and transport, particularly in the vital railways.

China is expected to announce soon a revised five-year plan.

The editorial also called on senior cadres to go down to the basic units -- a demand that management should get down to the shop-floor level and straighten out production problems.

Even the Basle-based Bank for International Settlements (BIS), a powerful force on the world monetary scene as a club for central bankers, will not be represented.

Financial sources said these governments were ready to contribute about \$5.5 billion to the Witteveen fund provided this was matched dollar for dollar by the participants from the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

The seven industrial countries taking part are the United States, West Germany, Japan, Switzerland, Canada, the Netherlands and Belgium.

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Other prospective borrowers expected to join the queue are Turkey, Brazil and Mexico.

Conditions for loans are likely to be severe if the industrial countries have their way, involving close supervision by IMF inspectors of economic policies and targets.

Iraq-Turkey pipeline reopens

ANKARA, Aug. 6 (R). — The flow of oil resumed Friday along the 1,000 km. Iraq-Turkey pipeline after a leak closed it down nearly two weeks ago, Turkish radio reported.

No reason has been given for the cause of the leak which occurred in Mardin province in southeastern Turkey, about 400 kms. east of the pipeline's terminal at Yumurtalik on the Mediterranean.

The pipeline, which opened in the spring, was built at a cost of \$322 million to enable oil from Iraq's Kirkuk fields to bypass Syria, following strikes in their political and commercial relations.

OPEC has yet to show its hand. Its finance ministers met in Vienna this week, and are thought to have discussed their combined contribution, although no announcement was made.

Dr. Witteveen said in June that Saudi Arabia was prepared to contribute \$2.5 billion and that he then had OPEC promises totalling about \$4 billion.

The new fund is designed for countries which have run into serious difficulties with their balance of payments, but have inadequate credit with the IMF under its quota system, based on the size of members' economies.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

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Lebanese pound	104.0/104.7
Syrian pound	80.90/81.50
Iraqi dinar	950.0/975.0
Kuwaiti dinar	1131.00/1137.0
Egyptian pound	460.00/467.00
Libyan dinar	722.0/737.0
UAE dirham	83.10/87.00
U.K. sterling	570.00/576.00
U.S. dollar	327.00/329.00
German mark	143.1/143.5
French franc	67.5/67.8
Swiss franc	136.8/137.2

Indonesia lives not on oil alone

Oil is the key to Indonesia's economy, accounting for 60 per cent of its revenue. As with other oil-producing states, it must use some of its oil riches for the development of alternative revenue earners for the time when the oil runs out. But unlike most of the other oil states Indonesia is well endowed with many sources of wealth -- both agricultural and mineral.

By Guy Arnold



JAKARTA (Gemini) — Indonesia is a major oil-producing nation which -- unlike the oil states of the Middle East, Venezuela or Nigeria -- rarely makes the headlines. It has taken no strong leads in the councils of OPEC, although it sides with the "hawks" over prices since with a population of 130 million it needs every dollar it can lay its hands on for development.

Oil production in January 1977 stood at an average of 1,628,159 barrels per day (BPD), while current estimates suggest that the country's reserves amount to 15 billion barrels. Thus Indonesia ranks with Libya and Nigeria in the major oil league.

Pertamina, the state oil corporation, employs 43,690 people and is by far the most sophisticated and diversified industrial organisation in the country. Like other members of OPEC, Indonesia gained enormously from the fourfold increase in oil prices that took place in 1973-1974 and its oil revenues increased from \$150 million in 1969 to \$3,000 million by 1975-1976.

In 1969/70 oil accounted for 27 per cent of state budget revenue, a figure that rose steadily until in 1974/75 it accounted for 55 per cent; in 1975/76 for 60 per cent; and in 1976/77 for 69 per cent.

The difficulties which Pertamina ran into during 1975 had

Pertamina itself accounts for about 100,000 BPD of the country's total production and is also into all aspects of the oil business; refineries, marketing, production, transport, petrochemicals, aviation and shipping.

Although oil is at present the key to the economy, major diversification and development in other fields will not only widen the country's overall prospects of wealth and employment but give it -- in the long term -- a far more stable base than one that is over-reliant upon oil.

There are vast prospects in nickel and other minerals such as tin, copper and aluminium as well as the huge logging business. At present Pertamina base than one that is over-reliant that it has at its disposal the largest number of trained and well paid staff in the country.

The corporation hires foreign expertise and can call upon expatriate skills of the foreign oil companies, although basically the staff are all Indonesian. Pertamina salaries are higher than those of government.

A new and exciting prospect for extra revenue is now opening up with the development of the Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) Programme which got underway in 1973. There are two LNG plants: one in east Kalimantan will come on stream this year; the other in Aceh in north Sumatra is due to come on stream in April 1978.

The aim is to achieve a capacity gas (LNG) export of 7 1/2 million tons a year, and it is expected that this export figure will be reached by 1981. If the programme is on target then in the period 1981-1985 gas will provide a revenue of \$4.7 billion or just under \$1 billion a year.

In addition there is the possibility of supplying a further 4 1/2 million tons of gas a year to the West Coast of the U.S., but although the contract to do this was signed in 1973 the go-ahead for this commitment awaits approval of the U.S. federal authorities.

As with all the oil-producing countries of the developing world Indonesia has the task over a relatively short time -- the fifteen or so years in which her oil lasts -- of turning the wealth she derives from it into other aspects of development that in the end outlast it.

Happily for Indonesia, unlike most of the others, it has many alternative sources of wealth -- both agricultural and mineral -- so that if properly deployed its oil wealth will ensure that when it runs out its alternatives will have replaced it as the major sources of the country's development finance.

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Your Daily HOROSCOPE

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: You are now able to solve a difficult problem by coming up with the right answer. Make sure you spend part of this day studying your financial situation. Consult expert for advice.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) An expert who understands your affairs can be most helpful by giving you fine advice on money matters for the future.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Good day to make plans so you can be more successful in the future. Join with congenials later and have a delightful time.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Take time to plan how to gain personal aims that mean a great deal to you. Come to a better understanding with mate.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take positive action on a plan that could bring you much success in the days ahead. Take time for meditation.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make definite plans to advance in your line of endeavor. Be careful of an opponent who could do you some harm.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Listen to what a trusted ally has to suggest so you can make more progress in career work. Be careful of details.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Be more willing to handle tasks which mate desires. Study your surroundings and make plans for improvements.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Many situations arise now that show you how to become more successful in the future. Take no chances with your reputation.

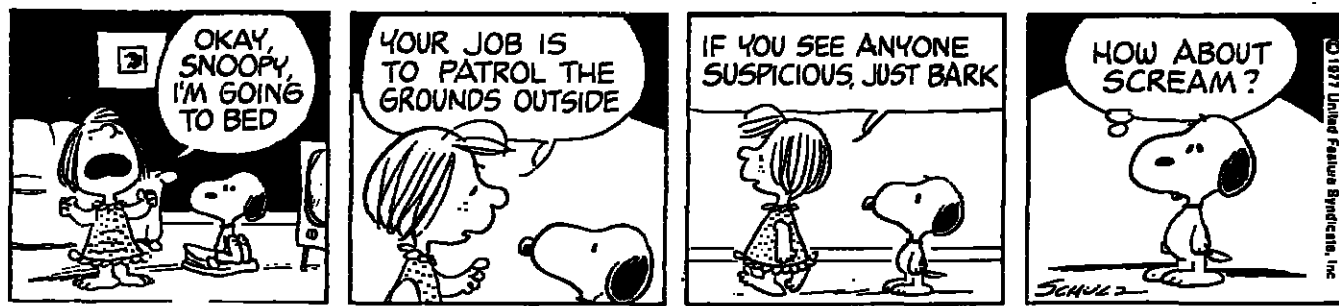
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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take time to engage in favorite hobby with congenials. Take no unnecessary risks in motion today. Be logical.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Search for new interests that will bring you greater abundance in the days ahead. Strive for happiness.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Ideal day to engage in spiritual activities which can elevate your consciousness. Show others that you are a thoughtful person.

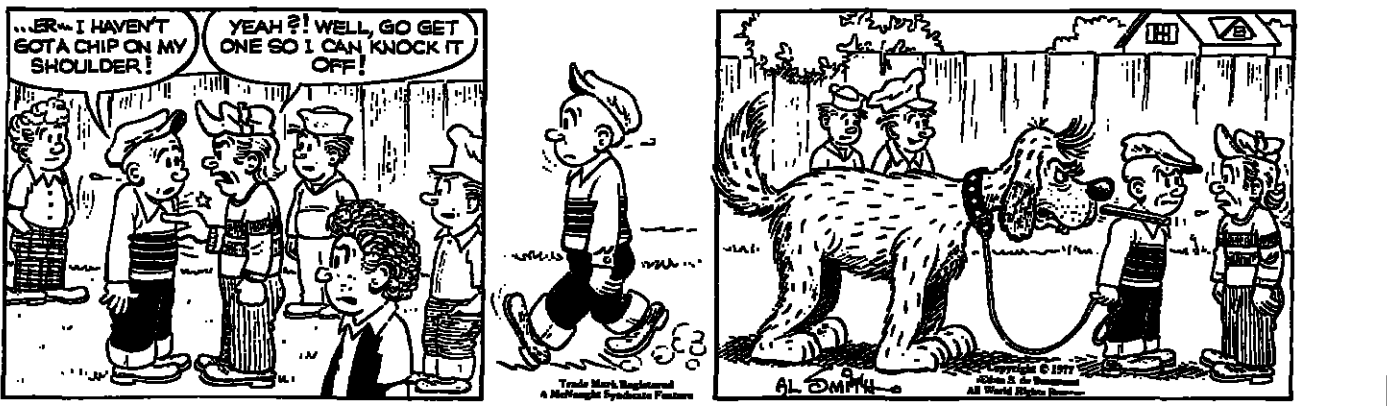
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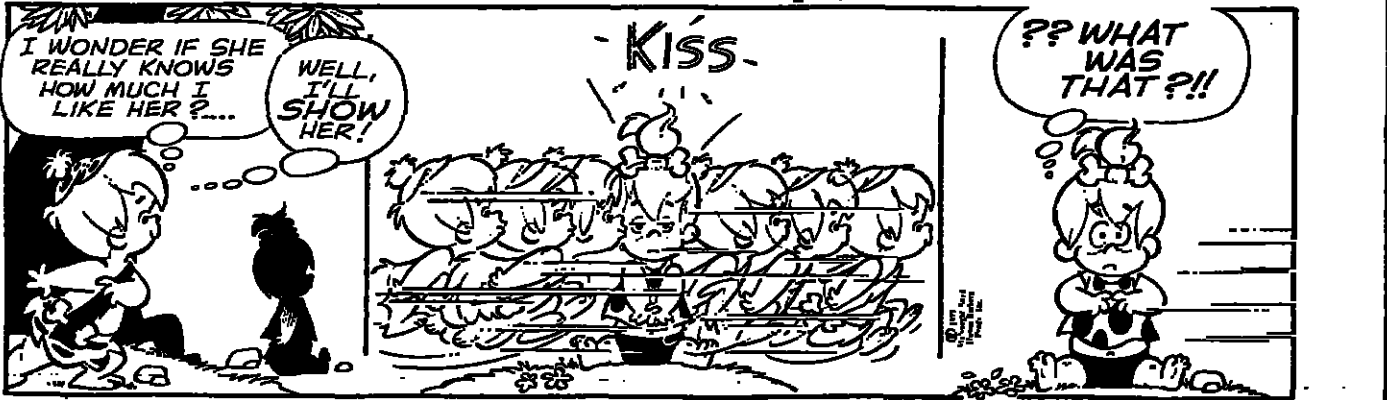
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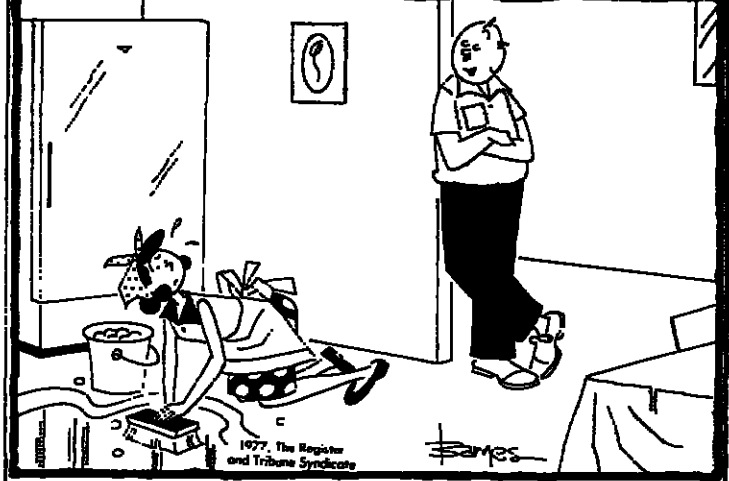
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GORED BRIDGE

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ASK OMAR

Q.—I hear that forcing jump raises are on the way out and the newest rage is the "limit raise." What exactly is a limit raise and how effective is it?—M. Lewis, Palm Beach, Fla.

A.—There are some inaccuracies in your statement. First, there are still many players throughout the world who play forcing jump raises. Secondly, limit raises are nothing new—as a matter of fact, they preceded the forcing jump raise.

A limit raise is a jump raise by responder of opener's suit, i.e., one spade—three spades. The bid invites opener to carry on to game if he has better than a minimum opening bid, but he is free to pass at the three-level if he has no extra values. The range for the bid is 9-11 points in high cards and distribution, and it guarantees four-card trump support. Below are minimum and maximum hands for a limit raise of three spades after an opening one spade bid by partner.

a) ♠Kxxx ♣x ♢AKxxx ♦xxx
b) ♠KJxx ♣xx ♢AQxx ♦xxx

There are times when, after you make a limit raise on a minimum holding and partner passes, nine tricks can be beyond the capacity of the combined holdings. However, in that case the loss is usually not too great. More often than not, you will find that the opponents had a playable contract and that you have simply traded 50 or 100 for their part score. On rare occasions you may even take the opponents out of a game! Not even the bravest opponent will freely compete at the three- or four-level when he hasn't yet located a fit.

When you and your partner decided to play limit raises, you have to find a replacement for the forcing jump raise, since you can no longer employ that. There

are two common methods of overcoming this problem. The first is the delayed game raise. Assume that partner opens one spade and you hold: ♠KJxx ♣x ♢AKxx ♦Jxxx. Using forcing jump raises you would have responded three spades. Using a delayed game raise, you would first bid two diamonds and, depending on partner's rebid, jump to four spades. The alternative method is to use three no trump as the equivalent of the forcing jump raise. This would then no longer show a balanced hand of 16-18 points, but a hand of 13-15 points with four-card support for partner.

The theory supporting this usage of three no trump is that you give up very little. It is seldom that you have a 16-18 point hand with a 3-3-3-4 distribution when partner opens, so you really don't need three no trump to describe that type of hand—you can find other ways to describe it. If you play limit raises, the jump to three no trump can be used profitably to show the equivalent of the old forcing jump raise.

Q.—You can see the following cards in a suit:

Dummy K J 9 You 10 6 4 3

Defending against a no trump contract, partner leads the eight. Declarer follows with the nine from dummy. Which card should you play?—R. A. Fernandez, Los Angeles, Calif.

A.—It looks very much as if partner's lead was top of nothing. In that case, declarer has both the ace and queen, so playing the ten will gain you nothing. Indeed, it could even cost you. If you cover with the ten, a shrewd declarer will win with the ace. That may delude your partner into thinking that you have the queen and that his lead struck gold. When he regains the lead, he is likely to continue the suit rather than strike out in search of greener pastures. I would play a low card.

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Massive bomb blasts Salisbury supermarket

SALISBURY, Aug. 6 (R). — A massive bomb blast ripped through a crowded department store here today, killing an estimated 11 people and wounding 76 in Rhodesia's worst urban guerrilla attack.

The Woolworths store, on the fringe of the city centre, is a popular shopping spot for blacks.

Police would not immediately say how many of the victims were black and how many white.

The explosion ripped out the entire first floor wall of the Woolworths store. It was caused by at least 30 kgs. of gelignite, police said.

The bomb had been left at the store's first floor Parcel Office where customers collect their goods.

The blast shattered windows of shops and other buildings 75 metres away.

A police spokesman could not say who was responsible for the explosion. It was the first major incident of its kind in the city.

He estimated the blast occurred around noon, when the store was crowded with mainly

black shoppers.

The General Manager of Woolworths in Rhodesia, Mr. Robert Bonser, said he had no idea why his company had been selected as a target.

He said the store had about 40 African staff and a white manager, who was rushed to hospital with seven cuts to his head and neck. The blast shattered the windows of his first floor office.

At least one white girl had a narrow escape. She was seen being led from the store, her clothes splashed with blood, by a police woman. She was put in a police car and taken home.

Salisbury's divisional fire officer, Mr. Peter Harris said: "When we arrived there was chaos. People were running around everywhere. There was a certain amount of fire on the first floor, where there were a number of bodies and lots of casualties."

"We got stuck in straight away and evacuated the building."

Army bomb disposal experts were called in and examined the building and the debris.

They were joined by police forensic experts who carefully sifted rubble, placing their finds in plastic bags.

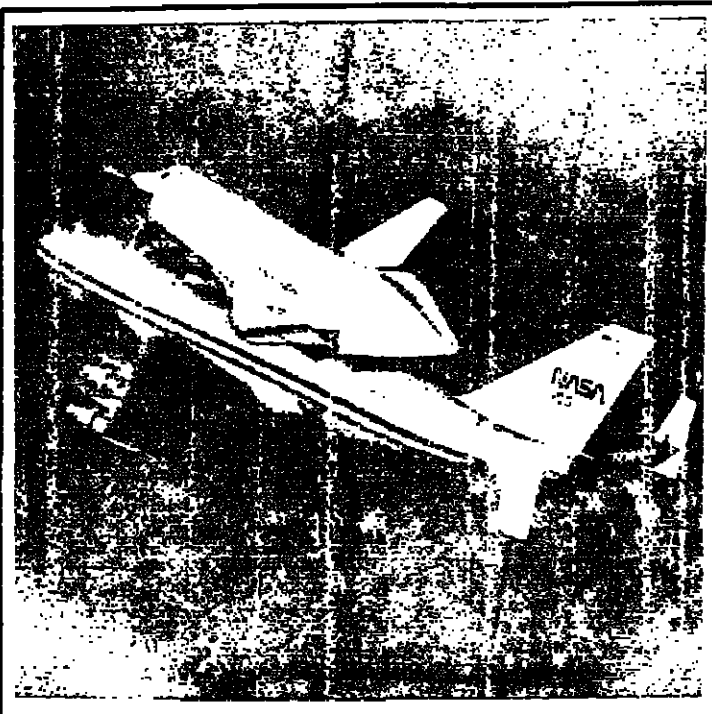
An African at the scene said relays of ambulances ferried dead and wounded to hospitals. No heed was taken as to whether the hospitals were designated "black" or "white" under the country's segregation laws.

"It looked really terrible. There just seemed to be blood and bodies all over the place," the African eyewitness said.

The bombing was by far the worst attack on the Rhodesian capital since the border war began in earnest in December 1972. Nationalist guerrillas are attempting to wrest power from Rhodesia's white minority rulers.

Saturday mornings in Salisbury are a traditionally relaxed affair, with black and white shoppers mixing freely in the tight confines of the city centre.

Groups of young people, both black and white, stand in sunlit pedestrian precincts, chatting about events of the past week and their plans for the weekend.



PIGGY-BACK -- The U.S. space shuttle Orbiter Enterprise rides piggy-back atop a National Aeronautics and Space Agency Boeing 747 during the fifth and final test flight in March 1977. The shuttle is scheduled for a modified approach and landing test on Aug. 12. Orbiter missions are planned for 1978. (AP wirephoto)

Muzorewa will meet Owen, Vance in London

SALISBURY, Aug. 6 (R). — Rhodesian nationalist leader Bishop Abel Muzorewa will fly to London on Monday at the head of a five-man delegation for talks with British Foreign Secretary David Owen, it was announced here today.

The delegation also plans to meet U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, who will be visiting London.

It was announced in Pretoria last night that South African Foreign Minister P. W. Botha would also meet Dr. Owen and Mr. Vance in London next week for talks expected to centre on Rhodesia.

A statement by Bishop Muzorewa's United African National Council (UANC) said the other members of the delegation would be UANC Vice President Dr. Elliott Gabelah, Dr. Chakanyuka Chikosi, External Affairs Secretary, Lusaka-based Mr. James Chikerema, Chairman of the External Committee, and a member of the UANC executive, Mr. Simpson Mutambananga.

A UANC spokesman said Bishop Muzorewa planned to "expound on his four-point

plan for majority rule" in Rhodesia, whose white minority government broke away from British rule in 1965.

"All we want is a settlement that will ensure the transfer of power to the majority and thereby stop the bloodshed in our country," the spokesman said.

Bishop Muzorewa's four-point plan calls for the setting up of a constitutional committee of the UANC, Britain and the Rhodesian government, the committee to draft a constitution within three months, the constitution to be approved by January next year, and general elections under the new constitution to be held by March 1978.

There has been widespread speculation here that Mr. Ian Smith's government would like to negotiate with Bishop Muzorewa for a political settlement that would exclude the guerrilla-backed nationalist alliance of Mr. Joshua Nkomo and Mr. Robert Mugabe.

Bishop Muzorewa commands wide support among Rhodesia's six million blacks but does not have a guerrilla army.

Tough security measures taken for Queen Elizabeth's N. Irish visit

BELFAST, Aug. 6 (R). — Government, police and army chiefs met this weekend to check their plans for Northern Ireland's biggest security operation when Queen Elizabeth visits the province next week.

Official sources said the vast operation to safeguard the Queen's life following threats by Republican guerrillas will cost the British tax-payer nearly £1 million.

The operation was being mounted despite a growing clamour to cancel the three-day visit. Labour member of parliament Marcus Lipton today made a public plea to Prime Minister James Callaghan to stop the visit because "the Queen should not be exposed to these unknown but too present risks."

Preparations for the visit however continued this weekend.

600 additional troops were being airlifted into Northern Ireland, all police leave has been cancelled and the entire Ulster Defence Regiment -- a part-time militia force -- has been mobilised to help the 14,000 regular troops in Northern Ireland.

The Provisional Irish Repub-

lican Army (IRA), fighting for British withdrawal from the province, has warned it will give the Queen a day to resign responsibility for Thursday night's bomb blitz when 19 shops were gutted or destroyed. Police believe their action was just a trial run for a vicious bombing campaign during the royal visit.

The royal visit coincides with a traditionally tense period in the province. Tuesday is the sixth anniversary of "In-terment without trial" and on Saturday there is the annual march of the Protestant apprentice boys commemorating their resistance to a Catholic siege 300 years ago. Both occasions have sparked sectarian rioting in previous years.

Man receives 2nd heart

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 6 (R). — A 38-year-old man from Texas was given a second heart by transplant pioneer Christiaan Barnard in an operation which ended early today.

A statement from Groote Schuur Hospital said the man would not be named but was "getting along fine."

Prof. Barnard said the seven-hour operation had been complicated by the fact that the man had undergone two open heart operations in the United States.

In the "piggy-back" trans-

plant developed by Prof. Barnard, a donor heart is implanted in the body alongside the patient's own, ailing heart, which is not removed. The donor heart normally takes on most of the work, easing pressure on the original heart which may then begin to heal.

The hospital said the American arrived in South Africa less than a week ago.

Prof. Barnard performed the world's first human heart transplant in December 1967. He and his team have since performed 26 transplants, 14 of them "piggy-back" operations.

Thai P.M. tells of serious border clashes between Vietnam, Cambodia

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 6 (R). — Thailand's prime minister said today that serious border clashes are going on between communist Vietnam and Cambodia, with both sides engaged in bombing attacks.

Cambodian troops have made 400 incursions recently into the territory at the northern border with Laos, Premier Thanin Kraivichien told a press conference.

Mr. Thanin, whose remarks were apparently based on Thai Intelligence reports, said the Cambodian-Vietnamese clashes were going on "at the moment."

He said Vietnam and Cambodia "even have planes bombing on both sides."

"The conflict between Cambodia and Vietnam on the border dispute is far worse than that on the Cambodian-Thai border," he said, condemning Cambodia for recent attacks

on Thai frontier villages in which some 50 people, mostly civilians, were killed.

The Thai premier's statement followed diplomatic and press reports of clashes between the two communist neighbours. The French newspaper Le Monde said this week they had taken place near the Gulf of Siam and in other areas east of Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon).

There has been no indication of the scale of the fighting, and some observers cast doubts on Mr. Thanin's suggestion that the Cambodians had bombers in their fledgling air force.

Mr. Thanin's remarks were the first indication of clashes on Cambodia's border with Laos.

On the recent Cambodian attacks on the Thai border, Mr. Thanin said his country wan-

ted peaceful relations, "but if they commit an act of aggression against us, we will have no alternative but to deter them by military operations."

Mr. Thanin is here for the summit meeting of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and for talks this weekend between ASEAN leaders and the prime ministers of Australia, Japan and New Zealand.

He vigorously denied charges by Hanoi that ASEAN might become a military alliance and, apparently referring to Vietnamese troops in Laos, said some of the "foreign troops occupying our neighbouring countries" were on the Thai-Laos border.

"That is an act of aggression. That is a kind of military pact that is unknown in the ASEAN context," he said.

Signs are China's elders about to convene 11th party congress

PEKING, Aug. 6 (R). — Politburo members from all over China have been in Peking for at least five days, fueling speculation that final preparations are underway for the 11th Communist Party Congress.

The stated reason for the gathering has been celebrations marking the 50th anniversary of the founding of the People's Liberation Army

(PLA).

But analysts here are convinced that between their one-day appearances at PLA rallies, sports and cultural events, the party elders are discussing the congress.

Chinese officials simply say the congress will be held this year and acknowledged it is unlikely to be announced until it is over. Foreign corres-

pondents have been told to be "watchful".

The date of the congress has become Peking's latest guessing game. Most Western diplomats believe it will be held before U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance arrives here on Aug. 22.

The 10th Communist Party Congress was held in August 1973 and the event was only officially announced after its conclusion.

Fifteen Politburo members -- some from Canton, Shanghai, Manchuria and remote Sinkiang -- first turned up together at a rally last Sunday.

Only two members were missing, the ailing Liu Po-cheng, 85, and Gen. Chen Hsi-lin, who was heading a central government delegation in inner Mongolia.

Since then the Politburo has made highly-publicised appearances here once each day, although one member, Mr. Wei Kuo-cheng, appears to have returned to his post in Canton on Wednesday.

The congress is expected to discuss new top appointments, revise the party constitution and review the new economic plan.

A Central Committee plenum last month made clear the congress will also carry on the purge of radicals that has followed the downfall on the ultra-leftist "gang of four" last October which includes Mao Tse-tung's widow Chiang Ching.

Numerous people are expected to lose their places on the Central Committee, which at present has about 160 members.

World churches lash hard at white-ruled Southern Africa

GENEVA, Aug. 6 (R). — The World Council of Churches (WCC) yesterday condemned white-minority governments of Southern Africa for committing "grave and blatant injustices."

A resolution approved by the council's policy-making Central Committee repeated a call for the 293 member churches to put pressure on international oil companies to stop "illegal" sales to Rhodesia.

The statement expressed concern at unconfirmed reports of a scheme for white settlers in Southern Africa to emigrate to Bolivia. The churchmen said this would only encourage the transfer of racism to another society and another continent.

They called on Christians to encourage white people in Southern Africa to consider staying in the region, to help build a just society there.

The churchmen described as "blasphemous the grave and blatant injustices being perpetrated in the name of Christian civilisation by the governments and powerful oppressors of Southern Africa in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), Namibia (South West Africa) and the Republic of South Africa."

Condemning mercenary soldiers in Rhodesia, the Central Committee asked the Churches of the Protestant, Orthodox and Old Catholic faiths in the WCC to urge governments to treat enlistment there as a criminal offence, to punish offenders and to outlaw recruitment.

Member churches should also work for a complete and obligatory arms boycott of South Africa, the committee said.

It noted "the significance of arms exports from the United States, Britain, West Germany, France, Italy and Israel, and the coalition of culture that exists between South Africa and Belgium, the Netherlands and West Germany."

Carter comes up with ingenious plan to cut down on illegal immigration

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (AFP). — President Jimmy Carter on Thursday announced a plan for draconian strengthening of the struggle against illegal immigration to the United States, but also offered many foreigners, now illegally in the country, the chance to remain -- at least temporarily.

The president visited the White House Press Room to brief newsmen on the measures he is asking Congress to adopt. He stressed his desire to work with the government of Mexico and those of other countries by offering technical assistance to help those countries boost employment. More jobs in those countries would help choke off clandestine immigration to the United States, he said.

Under the Carter proposal, only foreigners who have illegally entered the country since Jan. 1 this year would remain subject to immediate expulsion if caught. Those who have been in the country illegally since at least Dec. 31, 1969, will be able to apply for, and obtain the status of, "permanent resident."

Those who entered illegally between Jan. 1, 1970, and the end of last year will be in an intermediate situation. They will be able to register with the Immigration and Naturalisation Service and become temporary residents for five years.

Mr. Carter's plan does not specify what will happen to this category after five years. Attorney General (Justice Minister) Griffin Bell told newsmen that this would depend on their number. He also said that the administration did not have any clear idea on how many illegal immigrants there are in the United States. He put it at six to 12 million, while admitting the vagueness of the estimate.

Mr. Bell said that once the temporary residence permit of five years expired, both Amnesty and expulsion were possible courses. He added that to acquire their new status, illegal immigrants would have to register within a year of adoption of the plan by Congress, whatever the date of their arrival in the country.

President Carter also wants to make it illegal for American companies to hire foreigners who do not have residence status, and he has proposed a fine of \$1,000 on the company for each alien working illegally.

The president is asking Congress for funds to strengthen surveillance in U.S. ports and airports, and above all along the long Mexican border. The majority of illegal immigrants come from Mexico. He wants to post another 2,000 customs personnel and policemen along the Mexican border.

Mr. Carter's message to Congress emphasised his desire

to cooperate in improving the economies of the countries from which illegal immigrants come. He said that in the long run, thanks to their own efforts backed by the United States, those countries could increase production and hence employment.

Labour Secretary Roy Marshall indicated that the Mexican authorities recognised that illegal immigration was a serious problem for the United States, and that they were relieved to learn that Mr. Carter's plan would not result in massive expulsions of clandestine immigrants. Such deportations would complicate the Mexican government's efforts to cut unemployment.

Also, President Carter asked Congress to authorise admission to the United States of 15,000 Indochinese refugees who have temporarily found asylum in several Southeast Asian countries.

Mr. Richard Holbrooke, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, told a subcommittee of the House of Representatives on Thursday that 8,000 of the 15,000 would be chosen from among the 80,000 housed in camps in Thailand. The other 7,000 will come from among those who have fled their country by boat.

Mr. Holbrooke said that every month 1,200 people leave Vietnam by land and another 500 by sea.

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China attacks India over support of Tibet

* PEKING, Aug. 6 (R). — China today launched a strong attack on the new Indian government, accusing it of openly supporting Tibet's "secession" from China. The official New China News Agency (NCNA) reported that Peking's charge d'affaires in New Delhi had "lodged a strong verbal protest" against recent meetings between Indian leaders and the Dalai Lama, the Tibetan Buddhist god-king. It described the Dalai Lama as a "traitor of the Tibetan 'rebel bandits', who, it said, were encouraged and supported by the Indian government. The protest -- the first of its kind for several years -- was made last Thursday at the Indian Foreign Ministry, according to NCNA.

Ceausescu approves of Eurocommunism

* SAARBRUCKEN, West Germany, Aug. 6 (AFP). — Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu yesterday gave his backing to the concept of Eurocommunism and said it posed no problems to his country's Communist Party. In an interview with a radio station here, Mr. Ceausescu said he meant by Eurocommunism the fact that certain Western Communist parties wanted their action to be judged in the light of their own historic, social and economic realities. This is not a new desire, the leader said. Romania has fought and is still fighting for the construction of a socialist society where its own economic and historic realities can be taken into consideration, he said. Mr. Ceausescu said these realities cannot be ignored by any country engaged in the process of constructing a new social order.

French trial of anti-nuclear demonstrators

* BRYON-JAILLIEU, France, Aug. 6 (R). — The trial of 12 anti-nuclear campaigners arrested after a violent demonstration last Sunday in which one person died takes place in a provisional courtroom here today amidst stringent security precautions. Sympathisers were planning to demonstrate outside the court as seven West Germans, three French and two Swiss, held after the protest at the Creys-Malville "Super-Phenix" plutonium reactor site in the Rhone Valley, face charges under the controversial "anti-smashers" law introduced after the 1968 student-worker riots.

Bombblast at Portugal's airline office

* FUNCHAL, Madeira, Aug. 6 (R). — A powerful bomb exploded at the office of the Portuguese national airline TAP here early today, causing extensive damage but no casualties, police said. The blast followed two telephoned warnings to Lisbon Airport yesterday of bombs aboard TAP airliners. One of the planes, bound for Funchal, was diverted to a nearby island and the other was ordered to return to Lisbon. TAP said no bombs were found aboard them. A TAP statement blamed the hoax on criminals trying to stop the airline's services from returning to normal after a week-long dispute which caused long delays and angry scenes at airports.

Synthetic cigarettes no good for you

* LONDON, Aug. 6 (AFP). — Britain's Health Education Council yesterday warned smokers against synthetic cigarettes, which manufacturers claim are less dangerous than ordinary cigarettes. The only healthy cigarette is one without tobacco, said the council, which has earmarked £90,000 for a campaign against the synthetic cigarettes, which contain 75 per cent tobacco and 25 per cent substitute.

Religious Jews have fewer heart attacks

* TEL AVIV, Aug. 6 (AFP). — Religious Jews have fewer heart attacks than non-religious Jews, a study on 10,000 Jewish men has shown. Drs. Henry Newfeld and Jack Medalle of Tel Hachover Hospital near here, said their studies showed many other factors were influential in the frequency of heart attacks besides previously isolated factors such as age, weight, blood pressure, cholesterol, smoking and the presence of certain diseases. Newly isolated factors includes blood-type, nationality, the person's relationship with his spouse, and observance of religious customs, the doctors said.



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